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FOR NEA/PAB, COON FROM AMSTUTZ

E.O. 11652: XGDS-1
TAGSJG PDIP, AF, US
SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF NEW AFGHAN AMBASSADOR TO THE U.S.

REF: KABUL 5153

1. DURING MY MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER AMIN ON JUNE 29, HE RAISED WITH ME HIS GOVERNMENT'S REQUEST FOR AGREEMENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF NUR AHMAD NUR AS AFGHAN AMBASSADOR TO THE U.S. HE SAID HE DID HOPE THE U.S. GOVERNMENT COULD SEE ITS WAY CLEAR TO ISSUING THE AGREEMENT "VERY QUICKLY." THE REASON HE GAVE FOR THIS WAS THAT, SINCE THE U.S. WAS SUCH AN IMPORTANT WORLD POWER, THE AFGHAN GOVERNMENT WAS ANXIOUS TO FILL THE AMBASSADORIAL SLOT IN WASHINGTON IMMEDIATELY. HE GAVE NO HINT OF THE MORE LIKELY REASON, I.E., THAT THE TARAKI FACTION WAS TRYING TO PURGE ITS RIVAL PARCHAMISTS.

2. I HAVE NO IDEA OF HOW LONG IT NORMALLY TAKES FOR US TO GIVE AN AGREEMENT. I DO HOPE QUICK ACTION CAN
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BE TAKEN, AND THAT IF THIS IS NOT POSSIBLE, YOU CAN PROVIDE ME BY C.O.B. FRIDAY, JUNE 30, WITH SOME PLAUSIBLE REASON FOR EXPLAINING THE DELAY. I ANTICIPATE THAT WHEN I SEE THE FOREIGN MINISTER ON JULY 1, HE WILL ASK ME FOR A STATUS REPORT.

3. FYI: AMIN AND HIS DEPUTY MINISTER, DOST, HAVE ALL

WEEK BEEN APPLYING SIMILAR PRESSURE ON THE BRITISH,
IRANIANS, AND PAKISTANIS TO ACT IMMEDIATELY TO GRANTING
AGREEMENTS TO THE DRA'S APPOINTEES. THE LATTER TWO
HAVE ALREADY RESPONDED AFFIRMATIVELY. ALL THESE
MISSIONS AGREE THAT THIS IS RELATED TO THE MENTIONED
PURGE.
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